

Friday 11th January 2019

Dear all,

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. The children have all come back excited and well rested ready for the new term.

The classes have all started their new topics. This term Beech and Maple's topic is 'In the footsteps of the Tiger'. Willow and Cherry's topic is 'Tomb Raiders'. Rowan and Sycamore's topic is 'Fire, Fire!' and Oak and Acorn's topic is 'Nee-Naw, Nee-Naw!'

Administrator job

We are currently advertising for a general administrator in our school office. The job is for 23.5 hrs a week, comprising of every morning and all day on a Tuesday. It is term time only and starting as soon as possible. If you are interested, information and an application form is on the website. The closing date is 25th January.

Lifesaving course

Maple Class start their lifesaving course at the swimming pool next Monday, please ensure they bring the correct kit in every week.

Attendance

Well done to all the children who had 100% attendance last term. They received their certificates today. As you are aware, if a child has five or more days unauthorised absence in a year then it is automatically sent to County where you may be fined. A number of families were fined last year. Please be aware that County now state that only one penalty notice will normally be issued per parent over a two-year period. Any second 'offence' within a two year period will be referred straight to court.

New term dates

The term dates for 2019-2020 are now on the school website.

Uniform

We have a mountain of unnamed uniform. As you can imagine trying to find the owner of an unnamed item of clothing is nearly impossible. Please ensure all your children's uniform is named. Unnamed items that are left for more than a couple of days will go to our PTA second hand uniform shop.

Church After Burn's party

On Saturday 26th January, Holy Ghost Church are holding an After Burn's party at 7.15pm. Ticket order forms were emailed out if you are interested.

ParentPay

It would be much appreciated if you could pay in advance for school dinners and breakfast club etc. There are currently over 90 outstanding payments and it is very time consuming for the office staff to be ringing around and emailing to chase payments.

Upcoming dates:

A full list of this term's diary dates will be sent out next week.

Tuesday 22nd January – Fire Service workshops for Sycamore and Maple class

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 22nd-24th January – Parent's evening. Appointments will be issued.

Wednesday 23rd January – Mass in school for the new school year.

Thursday 24th January – Team from Beech class to Exeter University for football tournament

Friday 25th January – Team from Maple class to Athletics event at ECC

Best wishes & many thanks for your continued support**Mrs Taylor-Bashford****Gospel Value Bronze Awards:** Oak – Daisy, Louie, Willow – Silva, Summer, Beech - Evan**Silver Awards:** Rowan – Chloe, Finlay, Fraser, Cherry – Niamh, Bella E, Willow – Azi, Max, Beech – Laura, Rafa**Star of the Week Awards:** Oak - Tilly, Rowan – Mia, Sycamore - Queenie, Cherry – Brooke, Willow – Nicole, Maple – Edan, Beech – Laura.**Breakfast club Award:** Beech - Evan